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## METHUEN DEFEATED--GEN. WAUCHOPE AND THE MARQUIS OF WINCHESTER ARE KILLED.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Another reverse for the British arms has drawn a national sigh, a sigh of weariness, from John o' Groat's Point to Land's End. General Lord Methuen, the dashing commander whose fights in the face of great odds have led the British public to look eagerly every morning for news of a smashing big battle, with the Boers swept back, crushed, has been defeated. Three hundred wounded received at Orange River was the eloquent bulletin that told of the fierceness of the fight. At the War Office there was nothing to be learned beyond Methuen's discouraging dispatches—no list of dead and wounded, only three names, those of Major-General Wauchope, and the Marquis of Winchester, killed, and Colonel Downhous, of the Highlanders, mortally wounded.



## BRITISH DISASTER AT MODDER RIVER.

**KILLED.**  
MAJOR-GENERAL WAUCHOPE, C. B., COMMANDER OF THE HIGHLAND BRIGADE.  
THE MARQUIS OF WINCHESTER, MAJOR OF THE SECOND BATTALION COLDSTREAM GUARDS.  
**MORTALLY WOUNDED.**  
COLONEL DOWNHAM, FIRST BATTALION GORDON HIGHLANDERS.  
**WOUNDED.**  
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL CODRINGTON, FIRST BATTALION COLDSTREAM GUARDS.  
CAPTAIN STERLING, FIRST BATTALION COLDSTREAM GUARDS.

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LONDON, Dec. 13.—General Methuen cables that he has fought a long and fierce battle with the Boers at Modder River, that his losses are heavy, that Major-General Wauchope and the Marquis of Winchester are among the slain, that he holds his position on the Modder River.

When England opened its papers this morning this was the news that stared it in the face.

Monday's papers had told it of the awful reverse of Gatacre at Stormberg. Tuesday's and Wednesday's papers had shown it the magnitude of the reverse and had hinted at the fight that Methuen had begun on Sunday. And so England woke up eagerly looking for news from Methuen, hoping to see that Gatacre's defeat had been wiped out and that Methuen was sweeping on to Kimberley.

The British are not an emotional people. And so the news was received with an appearance of calm. But there is a depression over London that is like a fog.

Methuen was taken by surprise. Why, he has not explained. He had been preparing for the battle ever since he drove the Boers across the Modder River several weeks ago. He knew the Boers had entrenched themselves at Makersfontein, four miles to the north of the river. He had a balloon, and that he has been using it, is made certain by the dispatches from Pretoria giving the Boer account of the battle. By means of it he could have spied out the works the Boers were throwing up, and he should have made reconnaissances before advancing in force. All this may be explained when the details come, but at present England is asking questions.

After a bombardment of the Boer position all Sunday the Highlanders advanced across the veldt. Before they realized the nearness of the enemy and while in close column formation they were suddenly mown down by a deadly fire. They retreated, rallied and returned the fire.

While they were fighting on the left the Guards were fighting against an enemy in trenches on the right. They could not see their opponents. The Gordons were sent to the relief and were annihilated.

**Bombarding the Boer Trenches.**  
And the artillery kept up a blaze of fire at the trenches, where lay the cool sharpshooters under the guidance of the crafty Conje.

Darkness ended the battle. The British retired to their position and began sending back their ambulance trains to Orange River.

Such, in brief, is the story of the fight.

Methuen's dispatch saying the Boers are good to the wounded is borne out by all the dispatches from official sources.

Fall Mall, in the neighborhood of the War Office, was crowded this afternoon and evening by anxious inquirers for news of Lord Methuen's disastrous battle. There was fear and anxiety on many faces, for, save Wauchope, not the name of a single victim of the great battle was known.

Ladies of high society, gorgeous in evening gowns, drove to the War Office late to-night asking for news. Wives and sweethearts of Tommy Atkins trudged from the far outskirts of the town to get a look at the fatal bulletin board where the names of the dead and wounded are usually posted. Lords, millionaires and society men did the same. All went away disappointed.

The Government posted a notice at midnight saying that no list of casualties had been received.

The meagre news at hand is far from reassuring. Methuen has been obliged to fall back to his camp on the Modder River, leaving many of his dead and wounded behind, but it is added in his dispatch: "The Boers are kind to my wounded."

In Edinburgh there is great sorrow at the death of Major-General Wauchope, who was the brave and popular commander of the Highland Brigade of Gordon, Argyll and the Black Watch regiments. He had also been in politics and made several vigorous contests for Scottish seats in Parliament. In 1892 he almost beat Gladstone in Midlothian. Wauchope received the thanks of Parliament for his services in commanding the British brigade at Omdurman.

England has already lost two general officers in Africa—Symons and Wauchope.

**London's Gloomiest Day.**

This has been London's gloomiest day in many years. Cold weather with flurries of snow added to the general spirit of depression. Two armies defeated on successive days depresses even Christmas cheer.

There is no more talk of the army eating its Christmas dinner in Pretoria, although a rather ghastly joke is being passed around that several thousand British prisoners will fulfil Buller's boast. Topical war songs and Kruger jokes have been popular in the theatres and music halls, but all were cut out to-night.

England is pinning its faith on Buller. Everywhere you hear, "Buller will make up for this. He is no plunger. He doesn't underestimate the enemy's strength, nor permit himself to be misled by false guides. Buller will move when all is ready, and not before." So Buller must retrieve the fortunes of war. If he be beaten like Gatacre and Methuen, the war will become unpopular at home.

**Clamor Against the Government.**

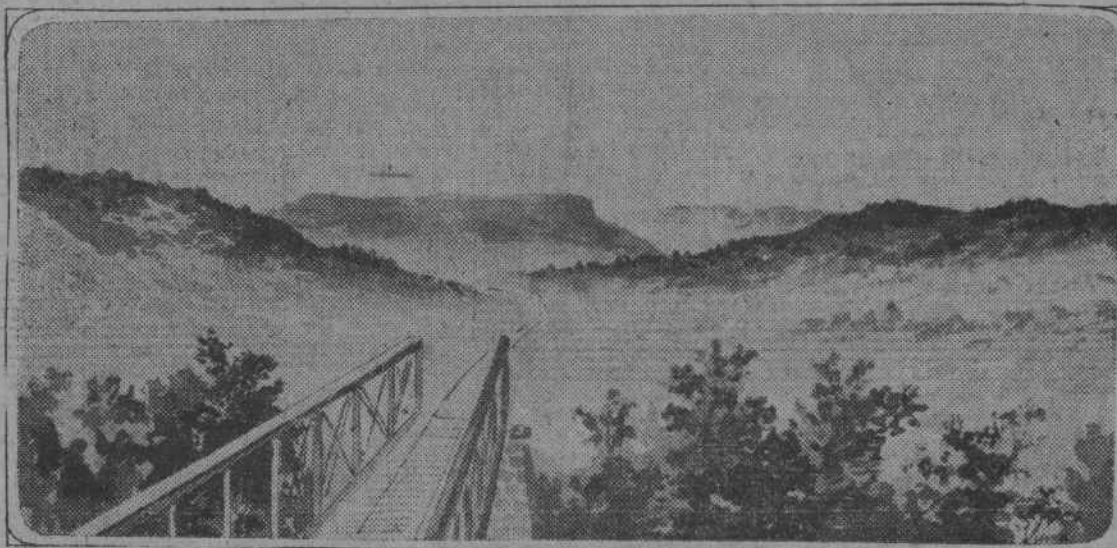
The repeated British defeats are stirring up clamor against the Government for its inadequate war preparations. The Daily Mail voices the sentiment of the impatient element by saying the inadequacy of the preparations for war is now being made manifest in so marked a manner that the delay in announcing and sending out sufficient reinforcements is becoming almost inexplicable.

The Marquis of Londonderry has written a card to the press urging the immediate dispatch of 100,000 more men, adding: "I cannot conceive the effect on the empire if Methuen be forced to surrender."

**Cape Dutch May Rise.**

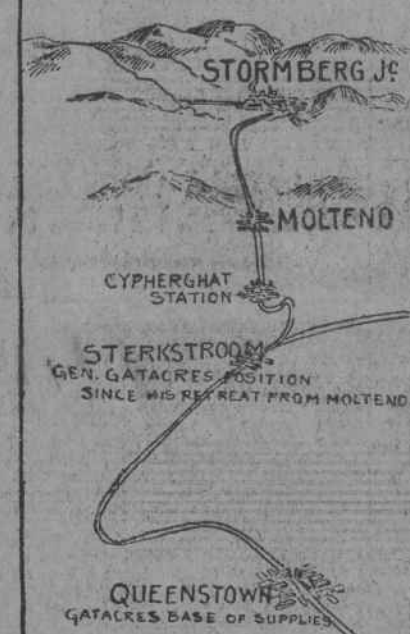
Cape Town, Dec. 13.—The situation in Cape Colony is becoming very serious. Gatacre's defeat at Stormberg caused a renewed outburst of sym-

THE FLAT TOPPED HILL IS WHERE THE BOERS WERE ENTRENCHED



WHERE LORD METHUEN WAS DEFEATED LAST MONDAY.

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QUEENSTOWN GATACRE'S BASE OF SUPPLIES



A BOER OUTPOST WITH MAXIM GUN

LE MONDE ILLUSTRÉ



BRITISH CUTTING THE WIRES TO SEND NEWS OF THEIR MOVEMENTS TO HEADQUARTERS

## NO SEAT FOR QUAY IN SENATE, SAYS ALDRICH.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Matthew Stanley Quay will not be permitted to take his seat in the United States Senate on the certificate issued to him by Governor Stone, of Pennsylvania.

The action of the Republican steering committee removed all doubt on that score, if any heretofore existed. The committee is composed of the tactical leaders of the Republican party, like Aldrich, Spooner, Hansbrough and Platt. They know what can and what cannot be put through the Senate.

Up to this morning Quay's old places on the committee were reserved for him. At the final meeting to-day it was announced by Mr. Aldrich that Quay could not be seated, and it was no longer necessary to consider him as a possible factor in making up the committee. His name has been erased from the list.

This morning Senators Aldrich and Allison telegraphed Quay the futility of a further struggle.

The men counted upon by the Quay followers early in the session to change the vote they cast in the Mantle and Corbett cases are unwilling to go on record as stultifying themselves after sitting as a high court to judge the qualifications of an applicant for membership in the Senate.

There is a fixed determination upon the part of many Senators—several of them Quay's friends—to take the ground that the question has been finally settled and public policy forbids its being reopened.

Even Mr. Hoar, a Quay man, when DuPont, of Delaware, petitioned to have his case reopened in the Senate, spoke against it and declared that the question ought to be settled by the Senate once and for all time.

Even should every new Republican in the Senate vote for Quay he could not get enough of the old men to change their votes to seat it.

The Journal correspondent was to-day shown in confidence a list of those who are pledged to oppose the seating of Quay that proves conclusively that Quay will be defeated with from six to ten votes to spare.

To-night Senator Burrows, managing the fight for the anti-Quay Republicans, and Senator Jones, of Arkansas, for the Democrats, positively declared Quay would be decisively rejected and the question be settled for all time to come.

## FILIPINOS ROUTED IN BRILLIANT BATTLES.

Gregorio del Pilar Slain in a Hot Fight—Aguinaldo Hard Pressed—Provinces Surrender—Brainiest Leader Captured.

MAJOR MARCH thrashed the Filipinos on a high mountain, and killed General Gregorio del Pilar.

He is now chasing Aguinaldo and is close behind him. General Young defeated General Tino, who was badly wounded, and captured about two thousand Spanish prisoners.

Captain McCalla, of the cruiser Newark, forced the surrender of the Province of Cagayan, and appointed, provisionally, General Tirona, the insurgent commander, Governor of the province.

Major Batchelder is advancing down the Rio Grande toward Aparri, the most northerly port of Luzon.

Mabini, the paralytic, who is said to be the brains of the insurrection, is a prisoner at Bayambang.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—"The news the War Department bulletined to-day from General Otis is, I think, the most significant that has come to the department from the Philippines for months. The capture of Mabini, who has been among the foremost men in the insurrection, is, of course, specially gratifying and important, but the whole tenor of the news is good and pleasing to the department."—Secretary of War Root on the day's news from General Otis.

CERVANTES, Dec. 5 (via Manila, Dec. 13).—Major March, with Captains Jenkinson and Cunningham, Lieutenants Tompkins, Rucker, McClelland and Power, and 125 men, is about starting for Bontoc, the principal town in the province of that name, to the northeast, through an absolutely desolate country and over a mountain 10,000 feet high. He is pursuing Aguinaldo, whose escort, now reduced to fifty men, is known to be there.

According to the natives, Aguinaldo intends to disguise himself and to take a circuitous trail toward Bayombong, province of Nueva Vizcaya.

Major March, with 300 men, arrived at Cervantes, in the heart of the Tila Mountains, on the evening of December 3, about twenty hours behind Aguinaldo, who had believed he had found an inaccessible refuge. On December 2 the American commander had a wonderful fight in a cloud-enveloped mountain pass, 3,000 feet above the sea, completely routing General Gregorio del Pilar's force of 200 picked men in a position almost strong enough to rival Thermopylae.

General Pinar died at the front of his men, urging them to make a stand until the ball of a sharpshooter pierced his head. His followers tried to carry away the body, but were compelled to lay it down.

**Aguinaldo Close at Hand.**

Two of the Americans were killed and were buried by their comrades where they fell. The others, carrying nine wounded, camped for the night on top of the mountain, an eminence of 4,000 feet, suffering greatly from the cold blasts. In the morning they moved down the trail to Dugaqui, where they learned that

## HEADS OF COLONIAL COMMITTEES NAMED.

Senator Lodge for Philippines, Foraker for Porto Rico, and Platt, of Connecticut for Cuba.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The Senate Republican caucus to-morrow morning, will carry out the programme arranged by their steering committee. The Democrats will be short of the representation that has for years been given the minority and will secure only two-fifths on all important committees.

It was decided to-day to organize still another new committee, to which shall be referred all matters pertaining to the surveys of the Pacific Islands and Porto Rico. Senator Lodge has been prevailed upon to give up the Committee on Printing and take the chairmanship of the new Committee on the Philippines.

Senator Orville H. Platt, of Connecticut, is placed at the head of the Committee on Cuban Affairs. Senators Aldrich and Spooner will also be members.

To Senator Foraker will fall the chairmanship of the Committee on Porto Rico and Pacific Possessions, including Hawaii,

**\$220,000 for Woman's Hotel.**  
The Woman's Hotel Company, of No. 103 East twenty-second street, which has charge of the fund for the proposed hotel for working women, yesterday announced that the total of subscriptions received to date is about \$220,000. One donor, who wishes his name kept secret, gave \$50,000. The total amount necessary for the hotel is \$300,000.

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